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It is time to drop the case.

1. Many of the attackers of Microsoft appear to be motivated only by their own self-interest. Most of the state Attorneys General have reportedly received support, monetary and otherwise, from various competitors of Microsoft. From the numerous press conferences it seems that the AGs are in this for their own self-interest - headlines and hob-knobbing with the rich and famous.
2. The competitors appear to be sore-losers. From a consumer point-of-view they are guilty of far worse than they charge Microsoft with. An example is Netscape. Once I installed their product only to find that it had insinuated itself as the default system and made the original browsers unusable. It took me several days to repair the damage caused by Netscape.
3. The president of Sun makes pronouncements that seem libelous.

As a user of a personal computer I do not want to be forced to waste time and money to obtain features that should be part of the operating system. If the silly proposals by the states AGs were implemented, I would have to spend a lot more money and time buying, installing, and resolving inconsistencies.

Why don't you charge the states Attorneys General and their corporate accomplices with racketeering? It certainly looks to me like that is what they are doing. They are not helping the consumer only themselves.

Sincerely,

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